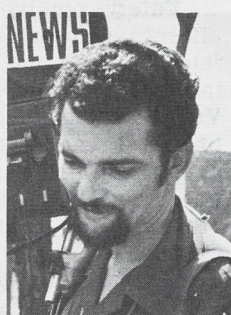




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GUTHRIE, DE SYLVA NEW SAIGON REPORTERS

Andrew Neil Guthrie of NBC and James DeSylva of ABC have joined The Bulletin's roster of correspondents, reporting from Viet Nam.

They replace Beverly Deepe and Dick Rosenbaum, both of whom have drawn new assignments and have left Viet Nam. Rosenbaum, who has been reassigned to Washington, has offered to contribute special coverage from that base.

Guthrie and DeSylva already have made their first joint report — the Jan. 18 story about newsmen covering the release by the Viet Cong of three US soldiers.

Guthrie, assigned to the NBC Saigon bureau last May, joined the network in (See page 3)

Pueblo Affair Demonstrates 'Crisis' Attitude About NE Asia, Says Halloran

By EUGENE DU BOIS

Describing the Pueblo incident as a "splendid microcosm" of what is wrong with America's press and public attitudes towards the problems of Northeast Asia, Richard Halloran spelled out to a keen and responsive OPC audience last week details of the potential conflicts facing the US in Japan, Okinawa and Korea.

Speaking at a Homecoming Forum chaired by former OPC President John Luter, the former Northeast Asia correspondent for The Washington Post, now assigned to covering international economic developments in the Capitol City, said that these three areas within the next few years could present serious impacts on American security.

'Crisis-Oriented'

"We have become a crisis-oriented people," he said, "given to trying to resolve crises after they break but doing little to prevent them. We have focused our attention so hard on the problems of today that we do not look down the road to prevent new crises tomorrow."

He cited the failure of responsible Naval officers to have noted repeated warnings from North Korea, a series of

ambushes, commando raids and other border incidents in the Korean DMZ prior to the Pueblo capture, and broadcast threats about countermeasures against US spy ships operating off the North Korean coasts. Halloran also quoted Commander Bucher's testimony that he "never consider I would ever be attacked on this mission" and noted the apparent ignorance of Naval authorities in Japan about prior warnings. "I would suggest to you that an investigation into the dereliction of duty in the intelligence community might be most appropriate."

America's relations with Japan, Halloran said, "I believe to be the most important long-range issue confronting the US in Asia — an issue more important than the Viet Nam War or the search for some sort of modus vivendi with China. Japan has again become the most powerful nation in Asia," he noted, although "Japan so far has chosen not to exercise that power."

Defeat Still Felt

Although respecting America for its economic and technical accomplishments, Japan, according to Halloran, (See page 4)

Bistro, Grill Events Being Planned, Board Told

By JOSEPH HARROW

Periodic mid-week "bistro" events and weekend parties in the grill are being planned by the OPC's new Entertainment Committee, it was reported to the Board of Governors' January meeting last week.

Nominated by OPC President Hal Lehrman, Bill Harris was confirmed as Committee chairman. The Committee has had two organizational meetings, the second attended by 17 Club members.

Under discussion are establishment

of occasional Saturday evening affairs in the grill and similar midweek affairs in the bistro and the adjacent 10th floor Memorial Room. Grill affairs, it is indicated, would "swing" in the loud side while Bistro events might be somewhat more sophisticated, a la "Blue Angel."

Feb. 22 Starter

The first Grill event is scheduled for Washington's Birthday — Washington thus extending his paternal legend to OPC as "father of parties."

The Grill event will be followed by

a "Preview of the Ides of March" at the Bistro on Thursday, March 13.

Harris reported to his committee that although the recent New Year's Eve affair in the grill had been decided upon rather late, some \$800 had been taken in, 76 dinners had been served and about 125 members and guests had made merry until 3 a.m. Harris commended Fred Stadler for providing all the confetti, music and other attractions to help make the evening a success.

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Get the news news.



Cameraman Jim DeSylva has trouble with Saigon police.

"Background of the news" isn't a cliché when it applies to *The Bulletin*, where newsmen describe the nuts and bolts of their reporting jobs — for the information of their colleagues. The *Bulletin's* roster includes professionals based in nearly every news capital in the world.

Athens
Fritz Oppen, Radio Free Europe

Berlin
Gary Stindt, NBC Bureau Chief

Bonn
Russell Braley, New York Daily News

Brussels
H. Peter Dreyer, Journal of Commerce

Buenos Aires
Percy Forster, Hearst Headline Service
Steve Yolen, UPI

Caracas
Martin R. Reynolds, Telesistemas de Venezuela

Copenhagen
Per K.B. Amby, freelance

Geneva
Andrew Borowiec, The Washington Star

Hong Kong
John Hughes, Christian Science Monitor

Honolulu
James F. Cunningham, The Honolulu Advertiser

Istanbul
Anne Turner Bruno, freelance

London
James Picton, freelance, ABC
Dan Smith, International Management

Johannesburg
Kenneth L. Whiting, AP

Lima
Joe McGowan, Jr., AP

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Madrid
Enrique Meneses, Fotopress

Manila
Carlos Angeles, author, Pan American Airways

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Jaime Plenn, The News

Miami (Caribbean)
Merwin Sigale

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Bernard Redmont, Westinghouse Broadcasting

Rome
Sam'I Steinman
Dennis Redmont, AP

Saigon
James DeSylva, ABC
Andrew Guthrie, NBC

San Francisco
J. Q. Riznik

Santiago
Martin P. Houseman, UPI

Santurce
Horst Buchholz, PR Consultants, Inc.

Sydney
Peter Harvey, Newsweek

Tokyo
Al Kaff, UPI

Vienna
Fred Baer, McGraw-Hill

Washington
Jessie Stearns, Topeka Daily Capital

World-Wide Ticker

VALERY WINS HIGH HONOR FROM FRANCE

By BERN REDMONT

PARIS — Bernard Valery, correspondent of The NY Daily News for almost 20 years, and now president of the Anglo-American Press Association, has been awarded the decoration of Knight of the Legion of Honor by the French Government.

Valery received his award for his efforts on behalf of Franco-American relations. He got the accolade at an intimate ceremony in the office of Roger Vaus, director of press and information of the French Foreign Ministry. The presentation was made by French World War Two hero General Georges Berge, creator of the French paratrooper units, Commander of the Legion of Honor, and Compagnon de la Liberation.

Thomas Quinn Curtiss, film and drama critic of the International Herald Tribune, also received the award of Knight of the Legion of Honor.

Alain Chaillous, Deputy Director of the Foreign Ministry press and information service, is having a round of farewells before leaving Paris to take up new duties as head of French information services in New York.

LBJ MEETS HIS OLD ADVERSARIES AT NPC

By JESSIE STEARNS

WASHINGTON — President Lyndon Johnson in the week of leave-takings saved his best performance for his old adversaries — the press — and went to the National Press Club annual meeting Jan. 17.

He earlier notified retiring NPC President Allan W. Cromley, Oklahoma City papers, that he "might" speak. He did for an hour, including answering questions.

The Chief Executive was humorous, personal, frank, relaxed, witty, benign, and serious.

He said his complaints against the press were mostly about when he had been misquoted, and he denied he said the Peter Hurd portrait of him was "the ugliest I have ever seen."

He spoke freely of his failures and that peace "eluded" him, and said "if I could have one thing presented to me, rather than anything else, it would be to be able to bring back from Viet Nam all those men I sent out there."

(See page 7)

The Constitution's Ralph McGill Dies At 70 in Atlanta

Pulitzer Prize-winning editor *Ralph McGill* of The Atlanta Constitution died of a heart attack at his home in Atlanta Feb. 3. He was 70.

He received his Pulitzer in 1959 for his editorial about the bombing of an Atlanta synagogue and a high school in Clinton, Tenn.

McGill, probably best known for his editorial crusade for civil rights, had been with The Constitution since 1929. He spent his first nine years as sports editor. He was named executive editor of the paper after his return from traveling in Europe on the 1937 Julius Rosenwald Fellowship. He became editor in 1942 and publisher in 1960. At the same time, he had continued writing a daily column, which was syndicated to other papers.

During his years as an executive, he also continued reporting trips, covering major political events and interviewing world leaders.

His other awards included the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1964 and several honorary degrees. He was named to a number of top-ranking government groups, including the President's Advisory Committee on Labor-Management Policy, the Advisory Committee on the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. He also served on the board of trustees of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and of the Ford Foundation Board for the Advancement of Education.

His wife, the former Mary Lynn Morgan, and his son, Ralph E. McGill, Jr., survive.

SAIGON REPORTERS

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1961 as a local news writer. Subsequent duties have included writing and producing the "Today in New York" segments of the "Today" show and the 1 a.m. news with both Geoffrey Pond and Bob Teague.

He later joined the staff of Visnews, international news film agency operating from New York with NBC News personnel, and was named its assistant editor in March, 1967. It was during this assignment he was granted the only foreign interview with Prime Minister Donald Sangster on election night. Guthrie also aided in the first live transmission, via satellite, to Japan. He subsequently wrote scripts, edited film and produced satellite service to Tokyo

NEW YORK SCENE

Tues., Feb. 18 — Edward R. Murrow World Affairs Forum. General Lewis W. Walt, Assistant Commandant US Marine Corps. "Current Evaluation of the Conflict in Viet Nam." Cocktails 12 noon; luncheon 12:30. \$5.

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Wed., Feb. 19 — Film Showing. Two half-hour films, written, directed and produced by OPCer *Harold Mantell*. "I Am Pablo Neruda," an exploration into the life and work of Latin America's foremost poet. "With Each Breath," an examination of the air pollution problem in the US. 8:15 p.m.

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Bahamian Dinner Prizes

Thurs., Feb. 20 — Regional Dinner. Bahamas Night, Cocktails 6:30 p.m., dinner 7:30. \$6.

"Sandy Cay," a painting by leading Bahamian artist Milton Homer Williams, will be among door prizes.

In the old-time tradition of OPC Regional Dinners, two free trips also will be awarded to lucky ticket holders:

Two round-trips (for two people each) to the Bahamas for a long weekend, courtesy Northeast Airlines. Plus, for one of these lucky couples, accommodations at the Balmoral Beach Hotel.

Other prizes: Tortoise cigarette lighter (Bahamian Chamber of Commerce); two cigarette lighters and a set of tortoise cuff links and tie clasp (Seafloor Aquarium); six sets pastel Nassau prints (British Colonial Hotel); cuff links and tie clasp with Bahamian crest (Barry's); set of place mats and a decorative wall hanger (Bahamian Handprints); large bottle Tabac cologne (The Perfume Shop); gold-plated hors d'oeuvre tray (Solomon's Mines).

Guests will be Bahamas Prime Minister Linden O. Pindling and Arthur A. Foulkes, the new Minister of Tourism for the Bahamas.

Authentic food and decor will round out this glamorous Bahamian evening.

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Fri., Feb. 21 — Anzio Correspondents Reunion. Cocktails 6:30 p.m.; dinner 7:30. \$6.

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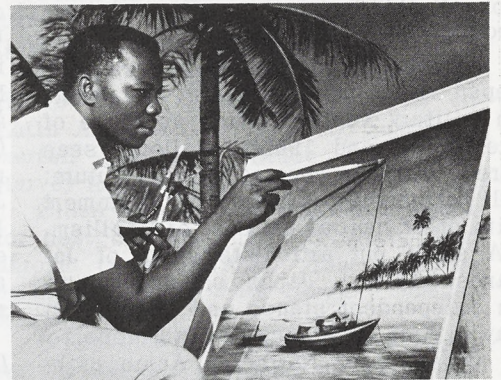
Sat., Feb. 22 — In the Grill. G. Washington's Birthday Party.

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Wed., Feb. 26 — Book Night. Robert Montgomery, famous movie and TV star, and John Tebbel, author, editor and journalist, will be present to talk about their new books: "Open Letter from a Television Viewer" and "Open Letter to Newspaper Readers." Cocktails 6:30 p.m.; dinner 7:30. \$6.

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All reservations not cancelled 24 hours in advance will be charged to members accounts.



Artist Milton Homer Williams puts finishing touches on "Sandy Cay," to be awarded as Regional Dinner prize.

and London on a number of major news stories last year.

DeSylva has been assigned to Viet Nam since he joined the network in January, 1967. It is his second tour of duty there, having covered the war as assistant director of news for KBTB, an ABC station in Denver, Colo., during 1965. He also has been associated with KOB, the NBC station in Albuquerque, N. Mex., KGGM, the CBS affiliate there,

and with KFSD, NBC in San Diego.

"Few cameramen I have worked with have shown more initiative under fire," says *Don North*, who served in the ABC bureau with DeSylva. "He can always be counted on for 'the new angle' or a perceptive approach to television journalism." DeSylva's first-person account of such a situation, a story about filming under fire in Hue during a communist offensive, appeared in The Bulletin last May 4.

Halloran (From page 1)

still rankles from defeat and the continued presence of American troops on her soil. Facing a variety of future alternatives, he sees approaching the time when that nation will no longer want to be a "client state" of America.

Japan's "new directions", Halloran forecasts, may appear in the early 1970's. June 1970, he pointed out, has become a psychological turning point for the Japanese, because after that date the mutual security treaty with the US can be revised on one year's notice. Efforts by Japanese leftists to force abrogation of this treaty, he said, may even bring "conflict in the streets of Tokyo" this coming summer and "especially during the first half of 1970."

Ruling out the possibilities that Japan might go Communist, or embark on military ventures such as those of the 1930's and 1940's, Halloran sees three possible courses for her future: full partnership with America; alignment with other neutral nations; or Gaullism. "A small but articulate group of Japanese believe Japan should assume an independent stance and go its own way in Asia as France has in Europe."

Other major Northeast Asian problems confronting the US discussed by Halloran included are the possible return of Okinawa, with its vast military installations, to Japan, and the reunification of Korea, North and South.

Press Role

Halloran took a few moments to look at the role of the press, which he said concentrates on current crises rather than reporting trends.

"In all candor, we have contributed much to the crisis-orientation of our

society and to the failure to think ahead.

"I am not suggesting that the press give up recording the events of the day, — which would be heresy — nor am I saying that we should go into the prediction game," he said.

"I do suggest that we in the press should devote more of our attention and time and space to laying out before our customers the facts and the trends of a given situation. We should produce the best analysis possible of the alternative directions in which events might move and update it as the situation develops."

Interested participants in the evening's discussion were Mauro Baradi, Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines to African nations, and a group of editor-writer-fellows from Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism Advanced International Reporting Program, guests of Luter. They included: *Nicholas Stroh*, Philadelphia Bulletin; *Glenn Troelstrup*, Time Magazine, recently returned from Viet Nam; *Dean Johnsos*, AP bureau chief, Lima, Peru; *Young-Choul Choi*, acting political editor, Dong-A Ilbo, Seoul, Korea; and *Youngsu Kim*, political editor, Joong-Ang Ilbo, Seoul, Korea.

Producer of the event for OPC was *Liz Weissblatt*.

In his introduction of Halloran, Luter mentioned that Dick was a graduate of Dartmouth, received his M.A. in Far Eastern Studies at the University of Michigan, where he edited *The Daily*, and had been with him as a Ford Foundation Fellow at Columbia prior to joining *The Washington Post*. He mentioned also that Halloran's new book, tentatively titled *Japan — Images and Realities*, had been accepted by Knopf for fall publication.

Food and Beverage Committee Formed

A newly organized Club Food and Beverage Committee met Monday and began exploring some problems and possibilities of the Club's grill and dining room.

Under the chairmanship of *James W. Trullinger*, the new committee includes OPCers with specialized knowledge in the food and beverage field and members of the Club's former House Operations committee.

The meeting explored two pertinent problems: dwindling attendance at dinner in the dining room and at lunch on Saturdays in the grill. The following committee will investigate the latter: *Wendell Sether*, chairman; *Hildegard Fillmore*, *Moritz Jagendorf*, *Donald Kearney* and *Agatha Young*.

Pointing out that the dining room is one of the handsomest in the city, that the service is efficient and the food

very good value for the price, the chairman appointed the following to investigate the reason for the low attendance: *Robert J. Misch*, chairman; *Anita Diamant Berke*, *Larry Blochman*, *Moritz Jagendorf*, *Donald Kearney* and *Elliseva Sayers*.

In addition, the chairman appointed a PR subcommittee to assist in promoting the aims of the Food and Beverage Committee: *Leonard Andrews*, *Hildegard Fillmore* and *William Toulouse*.

All committees were asked to survey their respective problems and report back at the next meeting, Feb. 19.

Committee members also present at this first meeting were *Henriette and Frances Kish* and *Madeline D. Ross*. Those members unable to attend were *Poppy Cannon*, *Burnet Hershey*, *Lisa Hoffman*, *Li Ling-Ai* and *Myra Waldo*.



VIEW OF NORTHEAST ASIA: Speaker Richard Luter, Chairman *Liz Weissblatt* and *M. D. Morris* last week believe to be the most important long-range issue of the former Washington Post Northeast Asia correspondent.

Expansion of Club Public Information Council Activities Explored

Expansion of activities and ways and means to increase usefulness to the OPC of its Public Information Council, now numbering more than 60 members, were discussed at a recent meeting of this group chaired by *Ted Baron*, with Club President *Hal Lehrman* attending ex officio.

Baron announced appointment of several members of the PIC's executive board to serve in an advisory capacity with other Club committees and to assist them in publicizing and building interest in activities under their sponsorship. These appointments included: *Ernest Aschner*, Entertainment Committee; *Mark Henahan*, Dateline Committee; and *Eugene Du Bois* and *Richard Sigerson*, Annual Awards Dinner Committee. *John Booth* was named as the PIC executive board member responsible for special assignments during January-February-March. In this capacity he will select volunteer members of the PIC to work closely with "producers" of coming events sanctioned by the Club's Program Committee.

It was explained by Baron that Public Information Council members assigned to luncheons, dinners, or other newsmaking OPC activities are responsible for preparing advance notices for *The Bulletin*, advising appropriate outside media and inviting their coverage, and assisting any representatives of the "working" press, radio or TV who may show up at the event.

"In the year since this Council was organized," Baron said, "we have had both enthusiastic response from our

Completed Committees to Judge 1969 Annual Awards Announced by Burnett



Halloran (left) talks with Homecoming Forum president. "America's relations with Japan I believe confronting the US in Asia," Halloran, president, said. (Photo by Lauro Boccioletti)

Public Information Discussed at Meeting

Club members who have volunteered their time for this important task, and we have also noted excellent coverage of Club activities in the local, national and even international media. We have found that this Council is a means by which many of our OPC members can both be highly useful to the Club and also gain a sense of real participation in its activities."

SEEK CLIPPINGS ABOUT OPC

An appeal to OPC members around the world to send in clippings or tear sheets of Club mentions and articles describing reactions to such things as protests by our Freedom of the Press Committee has been voiced by Ted Baron, OPC Public Information Council chairman.

"There is an urgent need for feedback," he said, "to measure the effectiveness of our various programs, and to learn what fellow journalists in other places are saying and thinking about us."

Such material, which might also include reports of any radio or TV programs relating to the OPC heard by members outside the New York City area, will be analyzed by the PIC and placed on Club bulletin boards or made otherwise available to the membership. They should be addressed to Baron, care of the Club, 54 West 40th Street, NYC, 10018.

Judging committees for the 1969 OPC Annual Awards are now complete, Awards Chairwoman Whit Burnett announced this week.

"More than 150 entries already have been received, and we expect several hundred more before the closing date. Let me stress again that the closing date for nominations and submission of supporting materials is midnight, Feb. 10."

Burnett also noted some basic changes in judging this year and appointment of several distinguished news and public affairs figures to committee posts.

Jerry Robinson, president of the National Cartoonists Society, will head the newly-created committee to judge cartoons in the field of foreign affairs.

The three photographic categories will each be judged by a separately constituted committee, but each of the three will be under the co-chairmanship of Cornell Capa and Barrett Gallagher.

James L. Greenfield, vice president for news, Westinghouse Broadcasting Corp. and former Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, will chair the committee for the Asia Magazine Award, assisted by Louis Kraar and by Horace Sutton.

The Judges

The Awards categories and their respective judging committees are:

Class 1 — Best daily newspaper or wire service reporting from abroad. William J. Fulton, chairman; Sam Pope Brewer, Geoffrey Dean, Edwin Tetlow.

Class 2 — Best daily newspaper or wire service interpretation of foreign affairs. John Luter, chairman; Alton Kastner, John Hohenberg.

Class 3 — Best daily newspaper or wire service photographic reporting from abroad. Cornell Capa, Barrett Gallagher, co-chairmen; John G. Morris, Ralph Morse, Paul Fusco.

Class 4 — Best photographic reporting or interpretation from abroad in a magazine or book. Cornell Capa, Barrett Gallagher, co-chairmen; Ezra Stoller, Gertrude Samuels.

Class 5 — Best radio reporting from abroad. Russell Tornabene, chairman; Richard Ross, Tom O'Brien.

Class 6 — Best radio interpretation of foreign affairs. Same as Class 5.

Class 7 — Best TV reporting from abroad. Donald Coe, chairman; James Harper, Howard Kany.

Class 8 — Best TV interpretation of foreign affairs. Same as Class 7.

Class 9 — Best magazine reporting from abroad. Jean Baer, chairman; Mary Bass Gibson, Camille Rose, Ken Wilson, Nate Polowetsky.

Class 10 — Best magazine interpretation of foreign affairs. Same as Class 9.

Class 11 — Best book on foreign affairs. Anita Diamant Berke, chairman; John Barkham, Lawrence Blochman, Hallie Burnett, Gerold Frank, Beulah Harris, Fred. Kerner.

Class 12 — Best cartoon on foreign affairs. Jerry Robinson, chairman; Rube Goldberg, Daniel Schwarz.

Class 13 — Vision Magazine/Ed Stout Award for best article or report on Latin America (any medium). Sam Summerlin, chairman; Bruce Henderson, Harvey Rosenhouse.

Class 14 — E. W. Fairchild Award for best business news reporting from abroad (any medium). Henry Gellermann, chairman; Bill Horgan, Samuel Lesch.

Class 15 — The Asia Magazine Award for best article or report on Asia (any medium). James L. Greenfield, chairman; Louis Kraar, Horace Sutton.

Class 16 — Robert Capa Award for superlative still photography requiring exceptional courage and enterprise abroad. Cornell Capa, Barrett Gallagher, co-chairman; David Strout, Charles Harbutt.

Class 17 — OPC/George Polk Memorial Award for best reporting, any medium, requiring exceptional courage and enterprise abroad. Richard J. H. Johnston, chairman; Clancy Topp, Everett Walker.

Study Begun

Study of entry materials has already begun, according to Burnett. He said he is urging committee members to carry out this work with dispatch. The materials are in the 11th floor office formerly used by the Club president; the rooms are locked, but Awards Committee members may obtain keys from the lobby desk.

For information on the Awards, call Beth Fine at the Club, 594-3500.

DEADLINES, SCHMEDLINES

For those of you who can't read the tiny type in the masthead, here is a rundown on Bulletin deadlines:

Noon Monday — items for People & Places and all classified ads (with advance payment, thank you).

Noon Tuesday — all other editorial matter.

Press Conference Critique: Nixon at His Best

By JESSIE STEARNS

WASHINGTON — Richard Nixon, seven days after assuming the Presidency, held his first news conference and in television terms it was "his finest performance."

This was the consensus of 500 of us who were present to observe his performance.

The President's microphone technique was excellent, for he was never "off-mike," meaning he kept the microphone between him and the 15 questioners even when turning to reporters on his right and left for questions.

Most of the White House "regular" correspondents were seated in front of him.

Only 300 steel folding chairs were provided in the East Room so the remaining 200 in the news media stood.

Contrast

It was a far cry from his TV appearance in 1960 against the late President John F. Kennedy. He only wore a light dusting of face powder and a little pancake makeup with his deep tan showing through.

A slight initial nervousness was detected as he stood alone before the single microphone on a seven-inch raised platform covered with dark blue carpet.

He proved himself to be adept with complete sentences and direct response, summing up his peace plan for Viet Nam in six sentences and his Mideast policy in nine.

The single word "sufficiency" defined his national goal in the nuclear arms race.

He feels "off-the cuff" remarks in a press conference should not be his policy, but comment should be developed in an "orderly" manner.

Of the 15 reporters recognized by him, he called six of them by name.

Little Hard News

He developed little "hard news," but used the 27 minutes to briefly tell the country what he is doing and that he was doing it by moving aggressively, but quietly.

The basic question-and-answer performance with reporters calling and rising to seek recognition, was the same as used by three previous presidents (Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson) but Nixon brought his own impression of crisp efficiency.

Toward the end of the conference, the President posed a question of his own — did the nation want to know what the Chief Executive does in his first week in office? He responded that he was trying to get the machinery of government working in an orderly fashion.

Nixon does not have a regional accent, but handles himself like a trained lawyer, which he is, responding

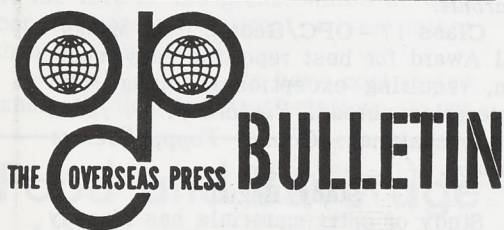
quickly to questions and shutting off his answers before they become rambling or repetitious.

The questions ranged from controlling inflation, recognition of Red China, to his withdrawal of some of President Johnson's final appointees and reviewing the Transpacific airline route.

Much of the TV production credit goes to the ABC Washington News Bureau headed by John Lynch, who handled the network pool production.

Frank Cormier, AP, lead the questioning and as routine Helen Thomas, UPI, pronounced the finale line, "Thank you, Mr. President."

By Jerry Robinson



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Letters

PROTESTS FROMSON STORY

I strongly protest the unobjective and positively biased reporting in The Overseas Press Bulletin, (Jan. 25) of the opinions of Murray Fromson on South Viet Nam, given on the occasion of a Homecoming Forum luncheon.

The writer of that leading article, Mort Stark, starts off by writing: "The chief United States illusion about Viet Nam is that a political solution to that tormented country's problems can be imposed from the outside. The reason the US entertains this and other misconceptions..."

It is not until the third paragraph that the reader learns that these are the views of Mr. Fromson. This is the kind of delayed attribution we would not expect to see in The Bulletin. Far less does this sentence have a place there:

"That the North and South Vietnamese can work out ways to live together would appear to be supported by an example given by Fromson."

It is not for a Bulletin reporter to make this kind of editorial comment of so broad a nature. The example, incidentally, about Saigon and the Viet Cong working together on a canal is most unimpressive.

Mr. Fromson's credentials as a Bangkok CBS-TV correspondent hardly make him an authority on Viet Nam.

Herman H. Dinsmore
New York

REPORTER'S REPLY

My only comment is that my story accurately reflects what Fromson said.

Mort Stark
New York

WORLD-WIDE TICKER

(From page 2)

Of his greatest accomplishment and happiest moment in office, he stated "most moments were happy. The American people do very well by their Presidents. They — even the press — treated me better than I had any right to expect."

The retiring President spoke freely of his failures and as he left NPC members were saying, "if he had only talked like that the five years he was in the White House."

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The Nixon inaugural coverage, in which the world saw Chief Justice Earl Warren administer the oath to President Richard Nixon and a former President leave Washington after 38 years of federal service, was a quadrennial blanket by television.

This was the first time the inauguration and its allied events were shown completely in color with more than 120 color cameras in use around the city and at several suburban locations.

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US Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren, when ready to swear in John W. (Pat) Heffernan as president of the National Press Club, had a 'slip of the tongue' and began the ceremony by asking him (Heffernan) to "raise your right elbow."

One of the first acts of Heffernan after becoming president was to change the inaugural night from Saturday to Friday, because baby-sitters are paid time and half on Saturday nights.

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Marvin Stone named associate executive editor of US News and World Report.

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Joe Grossman, USIA, elected to board of directors of the Swimming Hall of Fame.

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The status of women as members of the National Press Club is being studied. One of the first act of newly-elected President John (Pat) Heffernan was to appoint a study committee to report back within four weeks on admitting duly accredited newswomen into the Club.

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HAPPY HOUR.

PEOPLE & PLACES

By BETTY ETTER

ON THE GO: **Aaron Einfrank** skiing in Aurs, Austria, before returning to his Toronto Telegram post in Moscow... Postcarding from India, **Harrison Forman** reports that **Richard Tregaskis** and his wife Moana are in New Delhi, where Tregaskis is completing a book on Mumtaz Mahal, wife of Moghul Emperor Shah Jahan for whom, upon her death, he built the Taj Mahal as her tomb.

NEW POSTS: **Jean Phillips** named editorial promotion manager of Family Circle, a Cowles publication... **William H. Lander** has joined the staff of the Journal of Commerce, returning to journalism after 22 years in public relations and public affairs. Lander joined UP in 1924, in the 30s covered revolutions in Spain, Portugal and Cuba, and was on the diplomatic run in Washington during World War II.



TREGASKIS:

Book on
Indian
Emperor.

ARTICLES: Cover essay on the February Reader's Digest from the type-writer of **Ruth Sheldon Knowles**... **Nancy Winters** (Wilson) in the February issue of Cosmopolitan with "The Beautiful, Elusive Art of Self-Discipline."... **Jack Galub** has followed up his Woman's Day burglary prevention piece with one on fire prevention, "If Fire Strikes Your Home," in the magazine's February issue... December issue of College Management carries **Dr. Henry Singer's** controversial piece on "Why the Big City Universities Are Failing." His research on "Human Resources in Business" appears in the winter edition of Retail Overview and the March issue of Business Management. He is also speaking to Price Waterhouse & Co., on "Client Communications" on Feb. 21 at the Warwick Hotel in NY.

RADIO & TV: **Stanley Frank** made his 12th radio-TV appearance to discuss his book, "The Sexually Active Man Past Forty," (Macmillan) on the noon show over WKRC-TV in Cincinnati. Several paperback publishers are dicker-ing for reprint rights to the book.

SPEAKERS: **Paul Hirsch**, a VP at Pyramid Publications, teaching a course in "Magazine and Book Publishing" at NYU. It's given at night... "The Practice of American Politics" title of a course to be given by **William R. Gruver II** at the New School for Social Research, beginning Feb. 4...

seminating OPC news to the general public.

Nominating Committee

In other business, the Board elected the following to the Nominating Committee for the 1969 elections: **Elmer Lower**, **John Luter**, **Madeline D. Ross**, **Jules Frantz**, **Mary Hornaday** and **Henry Gellermann**. Also, **Frank Gervasi** as first alternate, **Burnet Hershey**, second alternate, and **James Sheldon**, third alternate.

The Committee will nominate candidates this year to fill seven Active seats and one Associate seat on the Board of Governors. The Annual Meeting was set for April 30.

Lehrman announced appointment of **Rachael Baumel** as acting chairman of the Art Committee to succeed the late **Lou Levick**.

On the subject of film viewing for the membership, **Rohama Lee**, chairman of the Film Screening Committee, said she would report shortly on such screenings, also possible showings of "under ground" movies.

MAXIMUM FEASIBLE MISADDRESSING

The above is bureaucratese for "we can't locate these people by mail."

They are the members whose OPC mailings have been returned for lack of forwarding addresses. Should you know a working address for any of them, please notify the OPC office.

Mary Boden
Walter Briggs
Tara A. Denis
Right Rev. Ruxton Fox
A. Heyer
Irving Jacoby
Dr. Hosni Khalifa
Michael M. Lawrence
Daniel McCrary
William Persen
Samuel Rameshwar
Lee Carson Reeves
William A. Rutherford
S.M. Schonbrunn
Harry J. Stathos
Constance Taylor

William Morris, L.A. Times Syndicate columnist, addressed a communication symposium at the U. of Pennsylvania School of Journalism of Feb. 3. His topic: "The Making of a Dictionary 1969." Morris is editor-in-chief of the American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, scheduled for publication this fall...

HONORS: **Jim Morse**, Boston Herald Traveler columnist, elected president of the Boston Press Club... The Hon. **Dr. Marion Mill Preminger**, consul general of Gabon, honored by the American Hungarian Medical Association at a dinner dance at the New Hilton Feb. 8. It's the first time a layman has been so honored and the society is sending a substantial donation to the Marion Mill Maternity Hospital in Libreville, the third maternity hospital named for Dr. Preminger.

FILMS: **Edward Magruder Jones** and **John Richard Starkey** have contracted to produce a series of film and live programs for NET's new special projects unit under executive producer **Ned Schnurman**. In the works are showings on China policy, the Mideast crisis, the Paris peace talks, and America in the world economy.

EINFRANK:
Returning
to Moscow.



Board (From page 1)

Formation of the Entertainment Committee represents "Phase Two" in redistribution of the functions of the former House Operations Committee.

Food and Beverage Committee

"Phase One" was the creation last month of the Food and Beverage Committee under the chairmanship of **Jim Trullinger**. "Phase Three" is the imminent establishment of a Building Committee to concern itself with Clubhouse structural and decorating problems.

Trullinger told the Board that sparkling menus and other innovations in grill and dining room activities are under consideration by the Food and Beverage unit.

Lehrman recommended and the Board approved the award — at a date to be announced — of an OPC Certificate of Appreciation to **Herbert Muschel**, president of PR Newswire, for service in dis-